

October 19, 1932

Dean J. F. Findlay
Faculty Exchange

Dear Dean Findlay:

You no doubt have listened, as have hundreds of others, to the excellent work of the WNAD Players, an organization sponsored by Radio Station WNAD of the University of Oklahoma. The WNAD Players was organized in January 1931 under the direction of Mr. Homer R. Heck of the University Extension Division. The purpose of this organization is to stimulate interest in the radio drama, and is open to any interested student on this campus or other state college campuses or citizens of the state, subject to the approval and supervision of the director.

The WNAD Players organization is an outgrowth of a nationwide request on the part of educational broadcasting plants for stimulation of drama work over their radio plants. The organization now has the national recognition of holding the distinction of being one of the three best in the United States, along with their co-workers the WKAA Players of Ohio State University and the WSUI Players of the University of Iowa.

Due to a popular appeal on the part of organized radio groups in educational institutions over the country, the WNAD Players have been requested to form the Alpha Chapter of an organization to be known as "The Phantom Mask." Since the WNAD Players have made the nationwide distinction that has been brought to this group in radio circles and since their director, Mr. Heck, has adapted numerous plays to the field of radio broadcasting, and the same are being used by twenty-seven of the leading colleges and universities of America regularly in their program work, we most earnestly solicit the recognition of this group on the part of the committee having charge of sponsoring student organization work on the campus.

I am of the personal opinion that the organization of "The Phantom Mask" will not only be a direct contribution to this institution but will in the course of a few years be an educational contribution throughout the country. Any consideration given the petition of this group for their organization will not only be appreciated by myself but likewise by the entire official family of the Association of College and University Broadcasting Stations.

Very sincerely yours,

T. M. Beaird
Executive Secretary

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CC. (2) Mr. Homer R. Heck.